

At Random

The liquor store is getting plastered—with green paint.

... now have something to tax mind," said the speaker. "now they're going to tax mind!" said a small voice in ear.

... flags out on Decoration but only a few hung at half until noon, which is the custom. Old Glory looks no matter how it may be yed.

... isn't pay to get to town according to one of our river residents. "Couldn't to the Court House or jail, Office wasn't open, drug still not open, and even liquor store doesn't open until a. m."

... der what strike leaders ing to tell our servicemen they get back from the Won't their faces get red?

... hington seems able to stop over thing except labor trouble.

... Future dates seem to hinge around the national political conventions.

... sure to be a tame primary election. No county contests, and no Democratic contests anywhere along the line. There are republican contests for lieutenant governor, congressman, state senator, and representative.

Geo. Burke Sells Ford Dealer Service

After thirty-one years in the Ford Sales and Service business in Grayling, George Burke has sold out to the Ted Erikson Co., of Highland Park. Mr. Erikson plans to make his home here and will occupy an apartment above the garage. Mrs. Erikson expects to join him in about ten days.

Mr. Walter Davidson, a service salesman for the Ford Motor Co., learned that Mr. Burke wished to retire, and informed Mr. Erikson, who came here to look over the property, with the result that a sale was consummated. Mr. Erikson and Mr. Davidson are brothers-in-law. Mr. Erikson arrived Wednesday and is now in possession.

It's going to be hard to get used to getting along without Geo. Burke there. He bought the business from Esbern Hanson and Frank Ahman over 31 years ago, and at once began the construction of the fine large concrete edifice that has since been the home of the Ford Sales and Service.

For 31 years Mr. Burke has been active among Grayling's business institutions. For several years he has been a member of the City Council, and for some time has been the mayor. He is also a member of the County Board of Supervisors. He has taken an active part in city affairs. He has been generous with his time and often spent his own money on trips on city business away from home. He is active in the Kiwanis Club and takes a special interest in the work of the underprivileged children committee. He says he intends to remain in Grayling and to keep up his same interest in civic and city affairs as he has in the past.

Our best wishes go with George, and we hope he will enjoy years of pleasure in his retirement.

Young Opera Star Leans to Res and War Bonds



The young American concert opera star, Marjory Hess, has her victory garden rambling over this colorful plant. It is a life saver for your party dresses, and fun to make, even for a beginner. Miss Hess suggests making several aprons because then, with a minimum of time and effort, you will save enough money to buy extra War Bonds and stamps. Suitable patterns may be obtained at your local pattern store.

been as important as it is today. I think all of us owe a great deal to our teachers, our parents, and the many others who have helped us. Now that we have the education, the rest is up to us.

Our motto, "We Will Find a Path or Make One", should be truly typical of our Class of '44. This, however, does not mean that we can take any path. The important thing is to choose the right one of the many that are open to us.

Classmates, before we separate and each of us goes in his own direction, a last word goes to you. The path ahead of us will be a long and sometimes a weary one. Whether we find a path, or have to make it ourselves, never fall by the wayside. Most of our happy, carefree days are behind us. From now on we will have to work and fight for what we get in this world. Let us accept the challenge the world gives. Yes, let us accept the challenge and show the world that this class and this generation shall not fail in the work that is assigned to us.

Tonight will be the last time that we shall act together as a class. It marks the end of our high school career, but it is actually only the beginning of our lives. May God grant that it will be the beginning of a truly successful life for all of us.

Howard DeLaMater.

SALUTATORY

Parents, Faculty, and Friends: We, the Class of 1944, welcome you to our class night. We hope to make our graduation an enjoyable occasion for all. We welcome this opportunity to thank you for our training—training which is so badly needed in this present war-torn world, and which will be more important in our future post-war world.

But in the peaceful world of tomorrow we plan to achieve success. There is no set standard for success: it is not fame, it is not wealth—it consists of our own personal desires. Success is within the reach of all—success exists within the heart—success will be the personal satisfaction we derive from being good and useful citizens.

Reviewing the past four years of our high school life gives us a sense of satisfaction—of work well done. We feel that with the background our school has given us, and with the help and sacrifice of our parents, we are prepared to enter the world as graduates of whom this school may be proud.

With the realization of tonight's importance, it is with sincere hearts that we welcome you to reminisce with us over our high school years.

Irene Tahvonen.

Commencement Programs

CLASS DAY PROGRAM	
Processional	The Class of 1944
(Audience please remain seated)	
Salutatory	Irene Tahvonen
President's Address	Nelle Welsh
Co-Salutatory	Caroline Post
Class History	Billyann Clippert
Vocal Selections	High School Chorus
Class Prophecy	Shirley Nelson
	Gerald Burns
According to the Poets	Mildred Smith
Class Will	Edmund House
Gifitatory	Edwina Simpson
Vocal Selections	High School Glee Club
Valedictory	Howard DeLaMater
Recessional	The Class of 1944

Class Motto	
"We Will Find A Path Or Make One"	
Class Colors	
Blue and Silver	
Class Flower	
White Rose	

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM	
Processional	The Class of 1944
Invocation	Rev. H. W. Kuhlman
Vocal Number	Chorus
Kiwanis Award	Mr. Roy Trudgeon
Commencement Address	President, Kiwanis Club
	Dr. Wilbur Moore,
	Head of Dept. of Speech,
	Central Michigan College
Vocal Number	Glee Club
Presentation of Diplomas	Frank L. Bond, Supt.
(Please wait and applaud the group after the last diploma has been presented.)	
Benediction	Rev. Fr. Francis Branigan

CLASS ROLL	
Clyde Anthony	Shirley Jean Nelson
Robert Earl Bugby, Vice-Pres.	Leo LeRoy Palmer
Gerald W. Burns	Caroline Jane Post
Patricia Arlene Chappel	Edwina May Simpson
Constance Grace Charron	James Harland Small
Billyann Clippert	Dorothy Louise Smith, Sec'y.
Howard C. DeLaMater	Mildred Christine Smith
Wilma Gretchen Feldhauser	Ernestine Louise Stephan
Helen Marie Gould	Allan J. Stevenson, Treas.
Jeanne Marie Hanson	Irene Helen Tahvonen
George Edmund Howse	Sandy Gordon Thompson
Doris Louise Krage	Arlene May Vincent
Gloria Jean G. McDaniel	Bessie Marie Wakeley
Jane Elizabeth Milnes	Nelle Cary Welsh, Pres.

Counties May Get Post War Funds

Amounts the various counties of Michigan may obtain from the \$1,000,000 post-war road planning fund set up under Section 2, Public Act No. 57, adopted by the 1944 special session of the legislature, were announced Monday by Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler. The counties may apply for all or part of the money to which they are entitled under the formula for distribution of the money set up by the act. The formula is based on population, area and road mileage. The counties are required to match the state grants on a 50-50 basis.

The Highway Department has notified the counties on the maximum amounts they may receive under the post-war planning law and mailed a sample of forms to be used in making applications for the money and instructions on procedure. In event a county does not obligate all its money by application before November 1, 1944, the rest of the amount will be turned back to the fund for redistribution to other counties.

In applying for funds, counties are required to list specific projects on separate applications and submit them for approval to both the State Highway Commissioner and the State Administrative Board. After their approvals, the counties are then required to prepare their plans and submit them with a statement of expense. After approval of the plans by the Highway Commissioner and the Administrative Board, the latter will authorize payment of half of the expense of making the plans up to the limit of the amounts for which the counties may apply.

The amount available to Crawford County under the post-war planning act is \$6,488.87.

Parade and Speaking Mark Memorial Day

Memorial Day parade is to be a great success. The procession started at the American Legion Hall and marched over the bridge on Cedar street, where were strewn out the names of the river, with a salute in memorial for those who died at sea. After leaving the bridge the parade continued on to the cemetery. Rev. Holm was speaker. The salute and taps were given.

The parade consisted of the American Legion, State Troops, Scouts, Nurses Aid, Red Cross, and a large number of children bearing flags. The State Troops were under the command of Lt. Ernest Larson, made a very fine, dignified appearance.

Public Notice

During the months of June, July and August, our office will be open on Saturdays from 1:00 p. m. to 6:30 p. m. There will be no office hours on Saturdays after 6:30 p. m.

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OUR BOYS and GIRLS ... IN THE SERVICE

Pvt. Vilho Wirtanen of Pittsburgh, Calif., will be returning to camp Friday, after a week's furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Wirtanen.

Wellman Vallad S-1c is spending his 10-day leave with his wife and her mother, Mrs. John Stephan.

Jack Barber of the U. S. Navy, now stationed at Great Lakes, Illinois, is home on leave, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foryst Barber.

Pvt. James Bigham returned to Camp Crowder, Mo., after spending his 14-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bigham.

Pfc. Nels Johnson is now stationed in New Guinea.

George Fairbotham S-2c spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Fairbotham.

Cpl. Edgar Johnson returned to Brookfield Field, Mobile, Ala., after spending a 15-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Johnson.

Sgt. Kenneth Hoesli is now stationed in New Guinea.

Robert C. Smock S-2c is now stationed somewhere in Australia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyland Smock.

Four Grayling men are receiving their initial naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Their "boot" training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruits to determine whether they will be assigned to a Naval Service school or to immediate active duty at sea.

Their recruit training completed, these men will spend a period of leave at home. They are: Charles Owen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owen, Star Route 1; Carl Richter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Richter, Star Route 1; Lewis Stillwagon, husband of Mrs. Dorothy Stillwagon, Star Route 1; Thomas Stancil, husband of Mrs. Georgianna Stancil.

Grange Notes

At the last meeting, a small crowd was present, but some important business was taken care of.

Another payment was made on the mortgage; this leaves a balance of \$100 yet to be paid, and the members have hopes of getting that paid this summer. It was voted to have cement laid from the hall to the sidewalk.

Next Saturday is meeting day again, also there will be Memorial services at the hall, Thursday evening of this week.

There will be a dance at the Grange Hall, Saturday night. A caller will be there, so everybody is sure of a good time.

I will be in Gaylord, Friday and Friday evening, June 2nd, 1944. Offices over Guggisberg's store, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses prescribed. Call phone 149M, Gaylord, for appointment. Dr. Kenneth W. Tinker, Optometrist, Traverse City, Michigan.

Washers, ironers, sweepers, toasters, and all kinds of soldering. H. B. Dale, Repair Shop, Cedar St., Grayling. 5-18-3

EXTRA BARGAINS AT RUMMAGE SALE

There are many fine articles in stock for our Rummage Sale, Saturday, and the Committee has decided that prices would be made so low that not a single one would be left over.

You may find here just what you need, and the cost will be little.

MASONIC TEMPLE

Saturday, June 3, 1944

STARTING AT 9:00 A. M.

GRAYLING CHAPTER O. E. S.

22 Die in Coal Ho Fire



Charred bodies of 22 victims taken from small San Francisco hotel after it had been gutted by fire are shown lined along a curb. Some burned in their beds, while others died jumping for their lives. Toll of blaze also includes 30 injured persons. Police believe the fire to be the work of an arsonist.

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WHICH WAY?

Commencement is here again—and it is always interesting to speculate as to what the graduates will do with life's period just ahead.

Naturally the graduates are always "pepped up", after listening to the customary Baccalaureate address, and to the Commencement speaker. Responsibilities of the graduates are pointed out to them in no uncertain language. They feel that the world is watching them and that they've got to "hit their wagon to a star".

Some, who are so fortunate as to be able to do so, will continue their studies in higher seats of learning. Many of the boys can hear the Armed Forces calling them, and not one is going to shun that duty if it comes to him.

But the klieg lights shine brightly and illuminate many pathways. "Which shall I choose?" is the baffling question before many newly graduated boys and girls. There is the opportunity to reach out into the high salary brackets... only to find that, after the war ends, and things settle to normalcy, they will have had a strenuous experience, received big money, lived in hardship, and at the end have little or nothing to show for it.

To have a definite aim in life, starting, if need be, from a meager beginning and carrying on resolutely and indefatigably until that aim has been reached, seems to us to be an ideal path to choose.

Some time ago a former classmate of our called at our office. He had acquired outstanding success as a physician in a large city. Together we talked about some of the other members of our class, and decided that those who had started out with a definite purpose in mind, one for which he was particularly fitted, had been the greatest successes in their respective life careers.

Many of those classmates of the yesteryears could still be accounted for, but many had done little to which they might point with pride. Following the path of indifference and the take-things-as-they-come attitude appears to have rooted them to a ledge from which they were unable to rise.

It seems well to aim high, but it is also well to measure one's self and find out whether the path he chooses is the one he can successfully follow. — O.P.S.

SURE, the newspaper publishers will help to put over the Fifth War Loan drive. And merchants will sponsor some of the advertising cost. There is no doubt about it, that there will be a patriotic response all along the line. But wouldn't it have been more dignified if Congress had passed the Bankhead bill, authorizing the Treasury Department to promote and pay for a regular advertising campaign for selling the bonds? We believe it would. The cost would be only a fraction of 1%. However, the Treasury Department has again passed the buck, and expects the newspapers to sell pages of space to local merchants. While the merchants have been fine about it, they never say no—still it seems like an imposition on the part of the publishers to ask them to sponsor some of the cost of the Fifth War Loan campaign.

THE NEW 1944

Telephone
Directory

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June 15th

Telephone subscribers who wish to change their present listings or add additional listings, should call our Roscommon office at once.

TRI-COUNTY
TELEPHONE
COMPANY

South Branch News

Mrs. R. A. Funch and children returned to their home in Flint, Saturday.

Mansel Cone and daughter, Mrs. William Gardner, have moved temporarily to Clarion, Mich., where he is employed in a sawmill.

C. W. Starr left Wednesday night for Chicago, for a few days meeting with a church which he was minister of about 20 years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sherman, of Flint, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Sherman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jones.

Mr. Jones remains critically ill and will be taken to Flint, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Dyer and son, Albin, Mr. E. B. Hollowell and Mrs. E. H. Brunt were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Starr last Wednesday evening.

The Richardson school closed May 26. The following pupils were perfect in attendance for the entire school year: Charles Starr, Jr., Yvonne and Donald, Walton and Shirley Hancock.

Albin Dyer has returned to camp in Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Dyer accompanied him as far as Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hart have gone to Davidson, where Mr. Hart has employment.

Several local people attended the Baccalaureate service and Commencement exercises at Roscommon this week.

Mrs. Alice Hyde and Mrs. Raymond Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Funch called on Mrs. Jones, Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. Justine Richardson next Wednesday, June 7. It will be an all-day meeting. Pot-luck dinner at noon.

Maple Forest

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owen, Sr., and family, of Detroit, were home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crooks visited Mrs. Crooks' sister, Mrs. J. A. Osborn, of Mancelona, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Allen, of Flint, visited Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Verlinde, over the week-end.

Miss Rose Wilcox, who has been visiting in Flint, returned home with them.

Moms' News

Our club met at Frederic Hall with only 13 members present.

Our club wishes to extend its thanks to all who helped make our chicken dinner a success.

Mrs. S. Barber was our hostess and served us a very nice lunch.

Next meeting will be June 8, and we wish to see a larger attendance.

In a previous issue of the Avalanche, we stated that the local Red Cross had refused to help one of our returned soldiers. Since then we have had the correct report from a Red Cross worker, and the club wishes to extend its apologies to the Red Cross of Crawford County for the error made.

Develop New Chemical For Copper Electroplating

Less than one ounce of a new chemical per gallon of copper electroplating solution reduces by one-third the copper required for electrotype printing plates, and cuts in half the scrap resulting from manufacture of these plates.

The chemical so increases the hardness of the copper deposit that a much thinner layer will give equal service. It allows a pound of copper to cover one-third more square inches of surface. It also assures a smooth finish, and speeds the plating of the electrotypes.

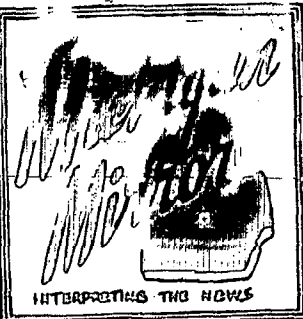
The agent eliminates inferior plating on the edges and corners of the printing plates. That permits a reduction in the width of "safety bearings," and accounts for reducing to half the copper scrap usually resulting from electrotype production.

This new chemical is especially timely for electrotypes. They formerly used about 2,200 tons of copper anodes annually, and their supplies have been drastically cut during the war.

Soften Rough Knees

After grubbing around in the Victory garden all summer Millady is likely to have mighty rough knees. That may not matter so much while socks and roll-down stockings are being worn, but once the full length hose become a part of daily attire it will be a different story. When garters are fastened the stocking fits very snugly over the knee, and rough skin patches may start a run that ruins the stocking for future wear.

To soften the knee skin, give it some extra attention daily, either in connection with the bath or separately. Scrub it firmly, but gently, with a brush or washcloth dipped in sudsy water. Rub the knees for a full two minutes, and then rinse and dry with a soft clean towel. If stockings are to be donned after the scrub-up, rub in a little vanishing cream or absorbent hand lotion. If going to bed, cold cream may be used instead of the lotion. The same treatment is good for rough heels which also are a menace to delicate hosiery.



(Continued from last week.)

Charles E. Stone, manager of the American Dairy Association of Michigan, reports that Michigan ranks sixth in milk production, fifth in butter, fifth in evaporated and dried milk, fourth in cottage cheese, and sixth in ice cream.

This food diversification presents a problem in grower organization which most state agricultural authorities believe must be solved if Michigan food products are to compete successfully with foods from other well-organized states in post-war years.

It does emphasize Michigan's important role in the field of health-inducing foods and the farm-to-store benefits available to Michigan consumers.

The economic importance of Michigan is indicated by the United States trade census of 1935 which listed Michigan as seventh in the entire nation for retail sales and fifth for industrial wages. States that outranked Michigan in retail sales were, in order: New York, Pennsylvania, California, Illinois, Ohio, and Massachusetts. States with higher payrolls: New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio.

Placing seventh and fifth, respectively, among 48 states, is an indication of what Dr. Vaughan was speaking about when he concluded that "many if not most" of the Southerners, who have come to Michigan during World War II, are "for the first time enjoying an adequate income."

It is this earning power that makes possible our splendid educational institutions, our superior highway systems of state and county governments, and our many other public services.

Michigan also possesses an amazing array of recreational facilities—all within comparative easy access of Middle-West millions by train, bus, automobile or airplane.

Michigan leads all other states in miles of coast shore. Constituting two peninsulas, Michigan possesses the singular benefit of 1,715 miles of land along the shores of Lakes Michigan, Huron, Superior, St. Clair and Erie. The number of lake cottages along these miles of sandy beaches runs into the tens of thousands.

Our 5,000 inland lakes offer some of the finest bathing beaches in the world—bar none—plus the healthful recreations of fishing and boating. We are famous nationally for our deer-hunting.

Michigan's cool summers are nature's gift from the global flow of winds across the Great Lakes. It is a blessing to the fruit grower, the factory worker, and the vacation-seeker. The exhilarating climate is a recognized factor in the industrious spirit of our inhabitants.

These natural attributes—such as diversified food products and diversified natural resources, as well as our healthful climate—are counterbalanced, in part, by the rise of new social problems.

Automobile towns, for example, attract tens of thousands of families along the Mason-Dixon line. Rise of unions, under collective bargaining, brought new responsibilities to factory workers, many of whom lacked an adequate background of education to fulfill these duties properly. The level of adult education in Michigan is a little over the eighth grade; you don't read much about economics and political science in the lower grades.

Among Michigan's post-war problems is the threat of mass unemployment, particularly in our industrial centers. This problem will be increased, obviously, if the Southerners decide to remain here, as Dr. Vaughan believes many will do.

As an adopted son of Michigan who has found "an abundant life" in this historic lake state so richly blessed with natural resources, diversified vital foods and numerous lakes and forests, we wouldn't blame the Southerners a bit for wanting to stay in Michigan.

Honestly now—would YOU?

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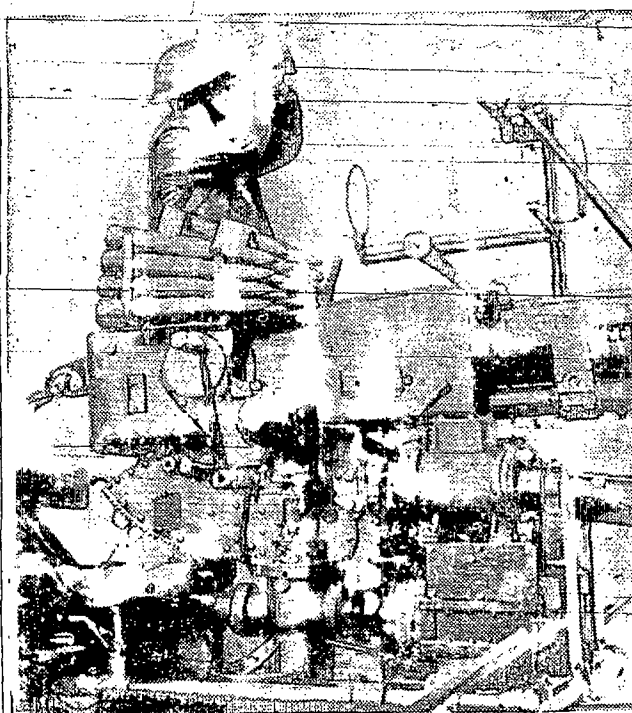
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Army Nurses Make the Best of It



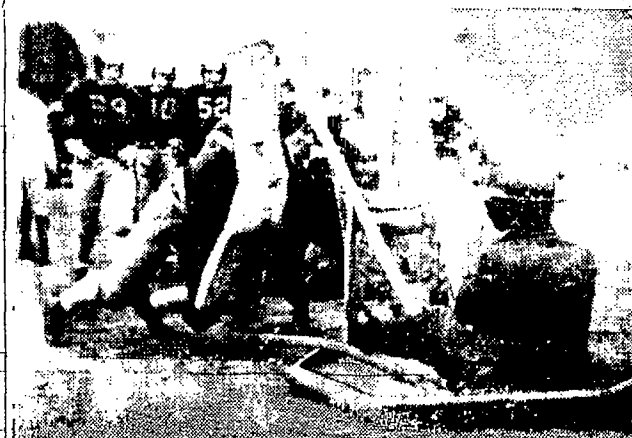
Although constantly under threat of German bombing or shelling, these U. S. nurses (left) on beachhead below Rome refuse to let it get them down. At right, two U. S. army nurses make the best of it. They are using a borrowed motorcycle to take an airing near the field hospital near Nettuno. Being under fire has failed to dampen their spirits.

Scanning the Beachhead of Europe



"Somewhere" on the channel coast, a British soldier standing at the breach of his gun, stares through his binoculars at the coast of France. There well-trenched Germans braced themselves for the Allied assault they knew would come. What they didn't know was just when—and at what point. That information was in the hands of a few top-drawer Allied officers—who were rather discreet about it.

Gridders Open Training Season



Putting enough steam into their work to weigh many an anchor, gridder hounds of the U. S. naval academy at Annapolis, Md., smack into the backing machine as they open spring training. An intrepid newsreel "photog" supplies incidental ballast for the machine as he makes a cuspous of two plunging linesmen.

Need for Man's Best Friend



Man's best friend finds a friend in need at the Anti-Cruelty society in Chicago where injured pets receive free hospitalization. Last year the society received 35,830 abandoned animals. Picture shows owners waiting at the society headquarters with pets that are in need of attention.

Honor Roll

OFFICIAL CASUALTY LIST

Killed in Action

Theon Deckrow
 Grant Giffin
 Harold C. Foeter
 Clayton Anthony

Accidental Death

Thomas Ingalls
 Jack Epley

Missing in Action

Ivan Rice

Rationing at a Glance

Books opens to the public 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. every week day.

PROCESSED FOODS—

Blue Stamps A-8 through Q-8 in Book 4 good for 10 points each indefinitely. (Five blue stamps valid first of each month.)

MEATS, CHEESE, BUTTER, FATS, CANNED FISH, CANNED MILK

Red stamps A-8 through T-8 in Book 4 good for 10 points each indefinitely. U-8, V-8 and W-8 valid June 4. (Three red stamps valid each fourth Sunday.)

SUGAR

Stamps 30 and 31 in Book 4 good for 5 pounds each indefinitely. Stamp 40 good for 5 lb. canning sugar through Feb. 28, 1945. Obtain application for additional canning sugar. In mailing application back, attach SPARE stamps No. 37.

SHOES

Nos. 1 and 2 airplane stamps in Book 3 good until further notice.

GASOLINE

Stamp A-11 good for 3 gallons, through June 21. B-2, B-3, C-2, C-3 stamps good for 5 gallons until used. State and license number must be written on face of each coupon immediately upon receipt of book. Make application for B or C renewal at least 10 days before rations are exhausted.

TIRES

Inspections not compulsory unless applying for tires. Motorists MUST keep old inspection record.

FUEL OIL

Coupons 4 and 5 good through Aug. 31. Unit value, 10 gallons. Change-making and reserve coupons good through heating year. Return application for next season's rations as soon as received.

PRICE COMPLAINTS

Report price violations to or obtain price information from price clerks of local War Price and Rationing Boards.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

In the Circuit Court For the County of Crawford

In the Matter of an Application For the Vacation of Ash Street, a Platted But Unopened Street in Grayling Park, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

ORDER FOR HEARING

At a session of said Court held in the City of Gladwin, in said Circuit, on the 24th day of May, 1944.

Present: Hon. John C. Shaffer, Circuit Judge.

Application having been duly filed in this Court for the vacation of the foregoing described street located in Grayling Park, Grayling Township, Crawford County, to-wit:

All that certain street designated on the recorded Plat of Grayling Park as "Ash Street", said street extending along the North 1/4 line of Section 22, T. 26; N. R. 4 W. from the shore of Lake Margrethe to Grayling Avenue, said street being shown on said Plat as 33 feet wide and 990 feet long.

For the reasons that said platted street has never been opened, worked, improved or used as a street, that the same is overgrown with trees and wild growth and could not be used as a street without clearing, grading and surfacing the same, that the expenditure of public money thereon would not be justified, and because the opening of said street would serve no useful purpose.

Upon motion of Charles E. Moore, attorney for the freeholders filing said application,

IT IS ORDERED, that said application be heard by this Court on the 11th day of July, 1944, at the opening of Court, on said date, or as soon thereafter as the same can be heard, and that all persons interested in said matter then appear and show cause, if any there be, as to why said application should not be granted, and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that true copies hereof be published, posted and served as required by law.

John C. Shaffer,
 Circuit Judge.

A true copy.
 Bessie Peterson,
 Clerk of the Court. 4-1-44

MURDER BY SKELETONS AT THE FEAST

Four grim messengers of death, garbed in skeleton costumes, mingled with the merry-makers at the Mexican governor's masked ball. Read in the American Weekly with this Sunday's issue of The Detroit Sunday Times... how the party, when revelry was at its height, turned into a bloody shambles. Get Sunday's Detroit Times.

Wanted

HAVE opening for night fireman. Kerry & Hanson Flr. Co.

FOR SALE—Dining room—china cabinet, buffet and ble; cheap. See Mrs. M. Corwin.

FOR SALE—Seed and table,atoes, \$1.00 per bushel in G. ling, 75c at our farm in M. Forest. Call evenings or a card, Alvin Richter, Route, Grayling.

FOR SALE—English, black and white, two years—very easily trained. Inq. Mrs. Clyde Peterson, P. 4272.

FOR SALE—1933 Chevrolet ton truck, stake body, W. Ebon Smith, Star Route, call at farm, 4 miles east, miles north from Frederic the former C. H. Marker. Also 6 fresh milch cows sale.

FOR SALE—Latest model tube Philco radio, like new piece Grand Rapids made room suite—large size er, plate glass mirror, ful bed, walnut veneer, de coil spring and inner s mattress. These pieces ca seen at the Bob Funch L after June 12th, or call 629.

FOR SALE—AuSable, Ru. Main Stream near Grayl high ground, nicely wo. Write D. A. Fellows, On Huron Lake Lodges, Os Michigan.

VACATION from worry what to serve for break! Magic combination of brown flakes of wheat bran plus raisins. It's Post's Raisin Bran!

ANYONE having a sewing machine for sale, kindly r. Avalanche Office.

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SMALL houses are in d. What have you got for Notify O. P. Schumann, Estate Broker.

WANTED—To buy, a house. Notify O. P. Schumann, Real Estate Broker.

FOR SALE—40-acre farm, 8 miles east of Grayling, land; reasonable terms. P. Schumann, Real Estate Broker, Grayling, Mich.

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In Northeastern Mich, one of Michigan's most a drilling companies now pating in drilling operatio several Wildcat tests. We pay good lease rents are primarily interested in drilling operations for new oil production.

Please give complete description of your farm a section number, town and information.

Send this advertisement together with your residence address to

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MEETING APRIL 11, 1944

Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held at the Court House in the City of Grayling on the 11th day of April, A.D. 1944.

Meeting was called to order by the chairman, Sydney A. Dyer.

Roll called by Townships and City, of whom the following responded:

Beaver Creek Township Supervisor Frank Millikin
Frederic Township Supervisor Jay O'Dell
Grayling Township Supervisor Frank Niederer
Lovells Township Supervisor Archie Howse
Maple Forest Township Supervisor Sydney A. Dyer
South Branch Township Supervisor George Burke
City of Grayling Supervisor Edwin Carlson

Communications from the following were read: Resolutions from Wayne, Berrien, Genesee, Ogemaw, Delta, Oakland and Keweenaw Counties, and communications from the Salvation Army, Secretary of State, and the Crawford County Road Commission. Moved by Niederer and supported by O'Dell that the several communications be placed in the hands of the Ways and Means Committee. All members voting yeas. The motion carried.

George Granger, City Manager, appeared before the Board regarding an appropriation to re-organize a County Library.

Mr. Bond, School Superintendent, appeared before the Board.

The Ways and Means Committee asked for further time.

AFTERNOON MEETING, APRIL 11th

Report of the Ways and Means Committee—To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the several communications, have had the same under consideration and recommend the following: Your Committee, to whom was referred the matter for a change in the period of time to establish residence in the State of Michigan, beg leave to report as follows: Whereas, because of the war there are thousands of people employed within this State in a temporary capacity, therefore to the interest of said State and County governmental relief agencies in the post-war period, be it Resolved, that this Board of Supervisors go on record as recommending that a period of three years be required to establish residence in the State of Michigan. Be it further Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Hon. Harry F. Kelly, Governor of the State of Michigan, and copies be sent to our Senator and Representative, and we further recommend the adoption of the Resolution of the Ogemaw and Genesee County Boards of Supervisors, and further, that the Clerk be instructed to send copies of same to our Senator and Representative, and, be it further recommended that the following communication, Department of State, in reference to House Act No. 105, Wayne County Supervisors, Oakland and Keweenaw County Boards of Supervisors, be accepted and placed on file, and further recommend the communication from the Crawford County Road Commission be referred to the Board as a Committee as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Ways and Means.

Archie Howse,
George Burke,
Fred Niederer.

Moved by Scott and supported by O'Dell that the report of the Ways and Means Committee be accepted, approved and adopted. All members voting yeas. The motion carried.

Moved by Scott and supported by Howse that the Surety Bond of Clara Madson, County Road Commissioner, in the amount of \$2,000.00, be approved. All members voting yeas. Motion carried.

Moved by Burke and supported by Carlson that we approve the purchase of War Bonds by the Crawford County Road Commission. All members voting yeas. The motion carried.

Moved by O'Dell and supported by Millikin that we co-operate with the City of Grayling in establishing a County free library and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for this purpose. Roll called; Yeas: O'Dell, Millikin, Niederer, Scott, Howse, Burke, Carlson and Dyer; Nays: None; Motion carried.

Moved by Niederer and supported by Howse that we adjourn until Wednesday, April 12, at nine o'clock A. M. All members voting yeas. Motion carried.

Bessie Peterson, Secretary.

Meeting of the Board of Supervisors continued and held at the Court House in the City of Grayling on the 12th day of April, 1944.

Meeting was called to order by the chairman, Sydney A. Dyer.

Roll called: All members answering present.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th day of April were read and approved.

Moved by Niederer and supported by Howse that the Claims and Accounts be placed in the hands of the Claims and Accounts Committee. All members voting yeas, the motion carried.

Bids were submitted by Emil Niederer and Grayling Lumber and Supply Co. for stoker coal.

Moved by O'Dell and supported by Niederer that the bids for coal be opened at 1:00 (one) o'clock.

The two bids on stoker coal being the same price, it was moved by O'Dell and supported by Niederer that we purchase 80 (eighty) tons of stoker coal, half of said amount from Emil Niederer and half from Grayling Lumber and Supply Co., said coal to cost \$9.75 per ton, stored in the basement of the Court House and Jail buildings. The Clerk and Treasurer are authorized to pay said bill when coal is delivered. All members voting yeas, the motion carried.

Moved by Scott and supported by O'Dell that the report of the County Road Commission be accepted and placed on file. All members voting yeas, the motion carried.

FIFTEEN MONTHS REPORT OF BOARD OF CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS

Ending December 31st, 1943.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: Complying with Section 25, of Act 178, P.A. 1937 as amended, we take pleasure in presenting this fifteen months report ending December 31st, 1943.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners

Elmer A. Corsaut, Chairman;
Arthur Feldhauser, Member;
Clara Madson, Member.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Crawford County, Michigan.

Gentlemen: The period covered by this fifteen months report represents one of the most difficult ever faced by a Board of Road Commissioners. During this time a multitude of shortages and restrictions have occurred.

At present all construction is limited to the amount of \$200.00 or less, without priority first being obtained from the War Production Board. This being necessary to conserve materials and manpower as well as equipment for effective prosecution of the war.

During the past fifteen months maintenance work has been intensified. Grades have been trimmed on thirty-two miles of road; clay applied to seventy-one miles, and considerable drainage improvement completed.

The period from December 1, 1942 to April 1, 1943 required continuous snow removal; with few exceptions the snow removal required the time of all employees during this time.

Considerable repairs were made to garage buildings during November last.

For the year of 1944, we propose to continue the maintenance program of the past year. We hope to complete trimming the main roads throughout the County this year. It is estimated that the mileage re-

quired on the trimming program is as follows:

Beaver Creek Township 9 miles
Frederic Township None
Grayling Township 3 1/2 miles
Lovells Township 9 miles
Maple Forest Township 3 miles
South Branch Township 39 1/2 miles

Claying and other routine maintenance work being carried on in proportion. In addition to the above work, we propose to paint the steel work on fifteen bridges and much of our guard and marker posts throughout the County. Thereby preparing for the post-war construction program the following year or shortly thereafter. On such a program it is expected all available men and equipment will be required.

Everyone has heard more or less about a three-year post-war program, but we do not propose to approach the subject in such a manner.

We believe that it would be better to consider such a program from the standpoint of necessity, rather than on the basis of a three-year stop-gap system. Therefore we do not propose a three-year nor a ten-year program, but a program of sufficient duration, within our capacity to finance, to provide a County network of first class highways. This again re-states a plan formulated and reported in 1941.

For your convenience, we have attached a marked map to this report. You will note that the roads thus marked, cover Crawford County with an arterial system of highways serving the bulk of the traveling public. This highway system further stimulates interest because upon completion it will attract more tourist business by good roads and easy ingress to the County from any direction. Thus raising the potential possibilities in any post-war prosperity.

The yearly location of projects on this system of highways will be governed by the traffic requirements, or a priority system is established to complete the more heavily traveled roads first.

There are two problems unanswered at present:

1. Federal Aid—No definite action has been taken to define the extent of Federal Aid to Municipalities. Several proposals have been formulated, and the general opinion seems to be, that assistance will be forthcoming in a manner similar to Federal Secondary Aid. Possibly the financing will be in the ratio of 25% Sponsor and 75% Federal Aid.

If such a program does become available and specifications and requirements to be met by the sponsor are within the means of this Commission, we propose to take advantage of it. Thereby increasing the size of the projects by approximately three times what the Commission could normally perform.

2. The second problem is purely local in character. It met with some disfavor when reported in 1941; but the economics involved is as sound now as then. At that time it was proposed to carry on a black-topping program independently of the base construction. There are several advantages in such a method and it probably is worthwhile to explain each in its turn. The condition of the road base for any asphalt surface treatment means success or failure of the project. There are factors of drainage, vertical alignment, horizontal alignment and supporting values of materials in the base to consider when making surface improvements, because no road is any better than the base. We have at this time certain sections of this arterial highway system suitable for surface treatment.

The objection has been raised about not placing blacktop on one continuous section. There are several conditions existing that preclude any such program without restricting that program to the speed of base construction because there is hardly one ten-mile section in the County road system with suitable drainage and alignment. Most of the present roads can be utilized, but to neglect to correct bad curves and improper drainage conditions invites future trouble for someone. It is self-evident that with better surfaces, automobile speeds will increase with increased hazards to its occupants.

One object in surface treating several individual sections was to increase the speed of the surface treatment program. These sections entered into the highway system even if they appeared to be isolated cases. Two purposes would also be accomplished by such work. First, the roads suitable for surface treatment at present, will lose surface materials at the rate of one inch per year. Thus it requires approximately 350 cu. yards of gravel per mile to be added annually plus the cost of other surface maintenance to keep the road in its present condition. The cost of adding the 350 cu. yards of gravel amounts to about \$437.50 per year per mile. If the sections suitable for base treatment are treated as rapidly as possible now, a very substantial saving can be realized.

It has been reliably estimated that the savings on surface maintenance alone, will pay the original black-top surface cost in ten years.

Secondly, since the surface treatment work can be done more rapidly than base construction, it is apparent that the roads with satisfactory bases can be surface treated until only those roads requiring base construction are left. The annual accumulated savings on the black-topped roads will help pay for the remainder. The base construction being carried along as rapidly as possible throughout the program. By so doing, a net work of all-weather roads would be coming closer to an accomplished fact. The present status of our post-war plans are as follows: Ten miles of road plans completed. More plans to be prepared this year as rapidly as possible. Specifications for participation in Federal Aid will govern type and extent of detail work on future road plans. It is planned to have sufficient detail work to cover a greater portion of the requirements and any remaining requirements can be added or adjusted to the original plans. However, at present we do not know what roads within the County will be eligible for Federal Aid, but in all probability a post road will receive consideration.

The accompanying report is the first one under the system outlined by the Auditor General's Department. Particular attention should be paid to the cost analysis because not only cash expenditures are involved on each project, but transfers from one account to another are involved. This report gives a more complete analysis of costs than those of the past, and improvements with details are being worked out in some accounts for future reports.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CREDITS

Cash Balance Sept. 15, 1942	\$ 33,057.81
Receipts:	
Accounts Receivable	\$ 6,439.17
Weight Tax	51,525.28
Gasoline Tax	5,203.64
McNitt Fund	61,158.70
Misc. Receipts	1,653.27
Total Receipts	\$135,192.45
Total Receipts and Balance	\$168,250.26

DEBITS

McNitt Maintenance	\$ 10,343.42
County Road Maintenance	9,012.30
Accounts Receivable	2,659.29
Equipment Repairs (Labor)	3,152.69
New Equipment	6,220.00
General Expense	8,670.71
Plant Maintenance	3,525.30
Materials in Stock	12,801.55
Gas and Weight Tax	8,000.19
Allocation to City	50,000.00
Bonds (Gov't)	50,000.00
Less the payroll of Dec. 16 to 31	1,218.18
Credit Transfers	\$ 118.39
Debit Transfers	177.30
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1943	\$ 49,020.08
McNitt Fund	\$ 44,815.28
Debit Transfer for Materials and Equip. Rental and Overhead	21,710.21
McNitt Fund Balance	\$ 23,104.47
Gas & Weight Tax Fund	4,204.80
Cr. Transfer for Materials	

FUND BALANCES

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Cr. Transfer for Materials	

Equip. Rental & Overhead 21,710.81

TOTAL BALANCE (CASH)	\$ 25,915.81
Bonds (Gov't)	50,000.00
Total Funds Available	\$ 99,020.08
WEIGHT & GAS TAX ACCOUNT	
Third Quarter 1942 Weight Tax	\$ 9,047.59
Fourth Quarter Weight Tax 1942	733.32
Last Half Gasoline Tax 1942	2,759.32
First Quarter Weight Tax 1943	29,457.72
Second Quarter Weight Tax 1943	3,220.00
First Half of Gasoline Tax 1943	2,444.32
Third Quarter of Weight Tax 1943	9,066.25
Total Receipts	\$56,728.92
Allocations to City of Grayling	\$ 8,000.19
Net County Road Fund	\$48,728.73

GENERAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT	
Superintendent	\$ 2,712.50
County Clerk	50.00
Clerk	1,112.17
Bookkeeper	775.00
Per diem & Mileage	673.39
Expense Account	220.34
Advertising	16.68
Compensation Insurance	924.35
First Aid	1.15
Office Supplies	347.03
Group Life Insurance	410.29
Group Hospital Insurance	511.35
Telephone and Postage	93.32
Water and Lights	131.22
Fuel	185.72
Subscriptions and Dues	135.55
Bonds (Commissioners)	37.24
Freight and Express	59.86
Miscellaneous	273.55
Total Disbursements	\$ 8,670.71
Debit Transfer for Automobile Depreciation and upkeep	\$ 591.51

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	
Receipts:	
Debits	\$ 6,490.65
Credits	6,441.09
Balance due 12-31-43	\$ 49.56

Disbursements:			
Labor	\$ 2,659.29		
Equipment Rental	2,667.03		
Materials	477.35		
Advances (Snow Removal)	50.00		
Hired Equipment	75.10		
Total Disbursements	\$5,928.77		
Credit to Accounts Receivable	\$512.32		
County Classification			
Road No.	Amount	General	Grading

No. 1	Labor (Cash)	\$3,309.52	\$10.40	\$153.73
	Equip. Rental	1,780.55	11.20	261.86
	Materials	1,301.83	2.45	113.24
	Overhead	1,027.24	3.87	84.99
Total Maintenance Cost	\$7,419.14	\$27.92	\$613.82	

No. 2	Labor (Cash)	\$1,718.96	\$759.50
	Equip. Rental	1,422.24	947.12
	Materials	477.79	164.96
	Overhead	581.60	300.80
Total Maintenance Cost	\$4,200.59	\$2,172.48	

No. 3	Labor (Cash)	\$2,411.82	\$657.48
	Equip. Rental	1,868.12	939.18
	Materials	1,285.21	194.38
	Overhead	894.37	287.84
Total Maintenance Cost	\$9,459.52	\$2,078.88	

No. 4	Labor (Cash)	\$1,372.00	\$371.60
	Equip. Rental	1,080.80	588.85
	Materials	480.65	125.85
	Overhead	500.33	174.59
Total Maintenance Cost	\$3,613.58	\$1,280.89	

RECAPITULATION:

County	Total	Labor	Equip. Rental	Materials
Road No.	Amount			
No. 1	\$7,419.14	\$3,309.52	\$1,780.55	\$1,301.83
No. 2	4,200.59	1,718.96	1,422.24	477.79
No. 3	6,459.52	2,411.82	1,868.12	1,285.21
No. 4	3,613.58	1,372.00	1,080.80	460.65
TOTAL	\$21,692.83	\$9,012.30	\$6,151.51	\$3,525.48
County	Culverts	Drainage	Clay </td <td>Snow</td>	Snow
Road No.	Patching	Removal	Fence	
No. 1	\$12.80	\$4,074.55	\$276.53	\$378.75
	3.20	516.06	269.03	436.82
	23.82	428.01	362.92	111.56
	6.40	324.42	140.21	148.96
No. 2	46.22	2,343.04	\$1,012.69	\$1,075.89
	\$ 418.61	\$ 88.20	\$225.10	\$ 57.10
	285.07	18.00	136.34	10.80
	200.78	27.69	53.25	3.57
	145.35	21.53	66.65	11.48
No. 3	\$11.90	\$1,049.81	\$155.42	\$481.34
	1.60	281.61	479.55	105.44
	112.85	402.57	515.53	47.14
	20.31	224.34	277.65	43.75
No. 4	\$146.66	\$1,620.27	\$2,005.32	\$316.03
	\$ 684.72	\$ 179.20	\$ 81.20	\$ 81.20
	289.54	133.67	25.80	6.55
	167.77	44.87	8.55	2.49
	183.53	57.49	18.21	4.42
	\$1,325.56	\$ 415.23	\$131.56	

OVERHEAD:

\$1,027.24	
551.60	
894.37	
\$500.33	
\$3,003.54	

ANALYSIS OF COUNTY ROAD

County	Markers	Re-surface	Moving	Planting	Filling
Road No.	& Signs				
No. 1	\$24.40	\$ 10.00	\$ 42.56	\$ 515.60	\$ 12.60
	3.20	3.20	42.28	36.90	3.60
	23.84	.82	16.05	212.54	.98
	8.24	2.24	16.22	122.95	2.76
No. 2	\$59.48	\$ 12.26	\$117.11	\$987.99	\$ 19.94
	\$16.80	\$ 5.60	\$ 51.95	\$96.00	
	3.20		18.51	3.20	
	.92			26.62	
	3.37	.89	11.32	20.21	
	\$24.29	\$ 6.49	\$ 81.78	\$146.03	
No. 3	\$42.00	\$ 37.13	\$ 69.47		
	3.20	5.40	29.02		
	1.07	2.24	4.22		
	7.44	7.20	16.50		
	53.71	\$ 51.97	\$119.21		
No. 4	\$19.70	\$ 38.10	\$ 3.25	\$180.65	\$ 3.58
	3.20	6.80	3.65		

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20	Caterpillar "15" tractor	10-3-32	33%	1950.00
21	Caterpillar "60" tractor	2-2-32	20%	4175.00
22	Dodge Pickup	4-20-36	40%	633.00
23	Caterpillar RD-7 tractor	6-20-36	20%	4967.00
24	International TD-18 tractor	5-9-39	20%	5229.00
30	Caterpillar tractor and Bulldozer	3-4-42	25%	1625.00
	Caterpillar Grader	1930	17%	1900.00
	Austin-Western Grader	3-17-41	33%	890.00
23AA	Ateco, 3 cu. yds. scraper	6-27-41	20%	500.00
24A	Ateco 4 cu yds. scraper	2-2-32	20%	1625.00
	Bay City Trailer	9-2-41	10%	2050.00
	Gledhill Maintainer	9-5-35	20%	359.80
	Gravel Crushing Plant	11-2-33	17%	4750.00
	(Screening Attachment)	1934	17%	1220.30
	Rox Cement Mixer	8-5-36	33%	250.00
	Steam Roller	7-20-37	38%	140.00
	Praeco Scraper	7-6-29	33%	190.00
	Rex Water Pump 180000 ph	1938	20%	250.00
	(Miscellaneous Equipment)			
	(Sanders, Harrows, etc.)			

MOTOR TRUCK EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENTS

2S	Pneu-Hydro Scraper	5-13-39	13%	525.00
2P	Marquette Snow Plow	10-5-36	13%	426.50
3P	Homemade Snow Plow About 1935		13%	200.00
6S	Pneu-Hydro Scraper	9-2-32	13%	547.00
6P	Baker Snow Plow About 1931		13%	250.00
9P	Ross one-way Snow Plow	5-20-41	13%	335.00
11P	Marquette Snow Plow	6-20-38	13%	275.00
14P	Ross One-Way Snow Plow	6-20-41	13%	335.00
16S	Root Scraper	8-5-38	13%	645.00
19P	Ross One-Way Snow Plow	7-21-41	13%	335.00
Equip. No.	Total Inventory	15 Months Depreciated		
1	\$ 433.33	\$ 216.67	\$ 216.67	Sold 9-8-43
2	None	680.00	113.33	566.67
3	253.43	253.43	1417.28	1191.28
4	None	300.00		300.00
5	1241.00	Salvage		2720.00
6	875.54	2042.46	656.56	1385.91
7	1529.00	Salvage		300.00
8	927.00	Salvage		100.00
9	578.20	1055.14	510.42	544.73
10	1245.00	Salvage		200.00
11	118.44	1776.56	592.19	1184.37
12	425.00	Salvage		25.00
14	578.20	1055.14	510.42	544.73
15	1030.60	4122.40	1288.25	2834.15
16	3500.00	Salvage		1000.00
17	1245.00	Salvage		200.00
18	None			2720.00
19	578.20	1055.14	510.42	544.73
20	1950.00	Salvage		150.00
21	4175.00	Salvage		750.00
22	633.00	Salvage		150.00
23	4967.00	Salvage		1500.00
24	3486.17	1742.63	1307.25	435.58
30	203.13	1421.87	507.82	914.05
	Cat grader 1900.00	Salvage		200.00
	A-W grader 890.00	Salvage		200.00
23A	135.00	365.00	125.00	240.00
24A	1625.00	Salvage		300.00
B.C.T.	206.00	1845.00	256.25	1588.75
Ch. M.	359.80	Salvage		50.00
G. P.	4750.00	Salvage		1000.00
Screen	1220.30	Salvage		500.00
St. C.M.	250.00	Salvage		125.00
St. B.	57.86	82.14	14.00	68.14
Fres. S.	190.00	Salvage		25.00
Rex W.P.	250.00	Salvage		125.00
McL. E.				300.00
25		297.67	85.31	212.36
2P		98.52	69.30	29.22
3P		20.00	20.00	Sold 11-10-43
6S		Salvage		250.00
6P		Salvage		50.00
9P		291.45	54.44	237.01
11P		123.06	44.69	78.37
14P		291.45	54.44	237.01
16S		309.60	104.81	204.79
18P		98.52	69.30	29.22
19P		291.45	54.44	237.01

(Upkeep Expense 15 months)

Equip. No.	Gross Rental Earnings	Total Labor	Materials	Net Rental	Repaid
1	\$ None	\$ 236.68	\$ 105.68	\$ 151.19	Cgd. Overhd
2	None	24.64	6.95	17.69	
3	\$4283.87	852.87	566.32	287.01	\$1857.91
4	915.53	460.62	293.63	166.99	
5	None	None	None	None	None
6	53.73	31.21	16.70	4.51	32.52
7	1705.70	509.30	278.26	231.34	539.55
8	164.76	217.37	81.33	136.04	52.61**
9	9.80	3.11	1.75	1.36	6.49
10	1417.78	338.16	236.16	102.00	513.78
11	None	None	None	None	None
12	955.72	312.95	211.22	101.70	45.92
13	29.35	52.57	23.53	29.04	23.22**
14	1020.24	421.98	239.01	182.97	33.40
15	1588.82	66.60	39.35	27.25	231.97
16	1763.35	856.77	320.09	536.68	732.47
17	None	None	None	None	None
18	None	None	None	None	None
19	1175.15	391.58	290.43	101.15	218.70
20	109.92	80	80	109.12	109.12
21	None	None	None	None	None
22	49.85	57.34	32.73	24.61	8.16**
23	2029.75	20.63	15.95	4.68	2009.12
24	1101.83	1059.58	180.82	898.75	1265.00**
30	1014.85	94.16	82.06	11.20	412.87
Cat. G.	930.24	16.78	16.70	.08	913.46
A-W G.	3.15	75	75	2.40	
23A	36.97	13.30	10.80	2.50	101.33**
24A	189.80	18.80	18.80	181.00	
B.C.T.	69.24	4.47	4.47	191.48**	
Ch. M.	38.97	2.65	2.65	36.32	
C. C. P.	None	None	None	None	None
Screen	None	None	None	None	None
St. C.M.	None	None	None	None	None
St. B.	None	None	None	None	None
Fres. S.	None	None	None	None	None
Rex W.P.	None	None	None	None	None
Misc. Eqp.	58.41	102.81	94.85	7.96	44.40**
	\$20763.84	\$6159.40	\$3152.69	\$3008.71	

MOTOR TRUCK ATTACHMENTS UPKEEP EXPENSE & RENTAL EARNINGS INCLUDED IN TRUCK ANALYSIS OF CORRESPONDING TRUCK NUMBERS

Note: *Purchase Price includes storage and interest added by O. P. A.
**Loss in net rental earnings

RECAPITULATION:		
Gross Rental Earnings	\$20,763.84	
Upkeep Expense		\$ 6,159.40
Loss by Depreciation		8,552.58
Credit on Equip. No. 1	591.51	
Overhead on Equip. Maintenance		989.78
Net Rental Earnings	\$21,355.35	\$15,701.74
	\$ 5,653.61	

NOTES ON EQUIPMENT ANALYSIS:
Being that this is the first report in which equipment has been placed in the accounting system, we feel that a brief explanation of this analysis is in order.
Depreciation of the equipment has been carried on what is commonly known as "straight-line depreciation" and the rates of annual depreciation adopted are those of the Association of General Contractors of America. There are several methods of depreciation more or less complicated, but eventually arriving at approximately the same values.
Depreciation is computed in the schedule of rental rates established by the State Highway Commissioner, and known as "Schedule C". The introduction of which read as follows: "The following rental coefficients are

to cover the replacement, operating and maintenance expense, except gasoline and oil unless otherwise noted.
In the column headed "Depreciated, or salvage value" on 12-31-43 you will not two amounts. On equipment whose estimated life has not been reached, the amount is the remainder to be written off in subsequent years.
Then an appraised value will be placed upon it. On equipment that is old and all depreciation has been written off, an appraised or salvage value has been introduced.

Net rental earnings is the amount remaining after depreciation and upkeep has been deducted. In this column you will note that certain pieces of equipment shows a loss. As an example, select equipment number 24, on which the depreciation amounted to \$1307.25 and upkeep was \$1059.58, while the earnings amounted to \$1101.83. This particular equipment is in first class condition with an appraised value of \$2000.00, but the depreciated value shows only \$435.58. The machine worked an insufficient amount of hours to overcome the depreciation and other costs; but before any other large amount of repairs are necessary, it will recover the loss and show a profit.

ANALYSIS OF PLANT MAINTENANCE

	Direct Charges	Transfers	Total Amount
Labor includes nightwatch and building maintenance	\$3023.69		
Equipment Rental	\$ 85.37		
Material	191.06	\$77.46	
Fire Insurance	92.25		
Laboratory Expense	45.00		
Hired Equipment	137.30		
Licenses	36.00		
	\$3825.30	\$622.83	\$4488.13

ANALYSIS OF WINTER MAINTENANCE

	Total	Snow	Sanding	Amount
Total cost per mile, all services	\$2274.67	\$1075.89	\$1198.78	
Co. Road No. 1	564.29	481.34	82.95	
Co. Road No. 2	370.87	316.03	54.84	
Co. Road No. 4	546.79	415.23	131.56	
McNitt Roads:				
Beaver Creek Twp	2143.92	1504.99	638.93	
Frederic Twp.	2281.19	1869.56	411.63	
Grayling Twp.	4394.22	3816.05	578.17	
Lovells Twp.	2749.34	1914.09	835.25	
Maple Forest	4224.31	3198.54	1025.77	
South Branch Twp.	3387.01	2023.70	1363.31	
	\$24956.53	\$17054.35	\$8792.32	\$2022.86

Snow removal service; sanding and snow fence where required covered 280 miles of County and Township roads.
Cost per mile based on 280 miles: Snow Removal \$60.91
Snow Fence 20.99
Sanding 7.23

MATERIALS

	Debits	Credits
Materials in stock \$12801.55		158.90
Equipment Rental	168.95	
County Road Maintenance		3525.48
McNitt Road Maintenance		4750.91
Equipment Repairs		3006.71
Plant Maintenance		577.46
Accounts Receivable		477.35
	\$12801.55	\$168.95
Cash Material Balance		\$304.74
Debit Transfer		168.95
		\$473.69

GASOLINE ACCOUNT

Balance on hand 9-15-42	156 Gallons
Purchased to 12-31-43	45025 Gallons
Total Stock 15 Months	45181 Gallons
Used by County Equipment	44478 Gallons
Book Balance	706 Gallons

TRANSFERS

	Debit	Credit
General Expense		\$8670.71
Equip. Depreciation & upkeep on Equipment No. 1		591.51
(County Road)	\$3003.54	
Overhead (McNitt Road)	5268.92	
Equip. Maintenance	989.76	
	\$9262.22	\$9262.22

EQUIPMENT RENTALS		
Equipment account		
County Maintenance	\$6151.51	
McNitt Maintenance	11690.98	
Accounts Receivable	2742.13	75.10
Plant Maintenance	85.37	
Materials in Stock	168.95	
	\$20838.94	\$20838.94

MATERIALS IN STOCK		
Materials in Stock		
County Road	\$ 3325.48	\$12496.81
McNitt Road	4750.91	
Accounts Receivable	477.35	
Plant Maintenance	577.46	
Materials in Stock	179.90	
Equipment Repairs	3006.71	
Equipment Rental	168.95	
	\$12865.76	\$12865.76

ESTIMATED RESOURCES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944		
Gasoline Tax		\$ 5000.00
Weight Tax		38574.00
McNitt Act (Township Road)		40694.87
Snow Removal		3500.00
Miscellaneous Income		2000.00

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1944

County Road Maintenance		
Road No. 1	Labor	\$ 3500.00
Road No. 2	Labor	2000.00
Road No. 3	Labor	2800.00
Road No. 4	Labor	2800.00
Township Road Maintenance (McNitt)		
Beaver Creek Township	Labor	3800.00
Frederic Township	Labor	2500.00
Grayling Township	Labor	3500.00
Lovells Township	Labor	2700.00
Maple Forest Township	Labor	2000.00
South Branch Township	Labor	3900.00
	Labor	\$29400.00
Equipment Repairs Account	Labor	\$ 2700.00
Surveys & Plans (Post War)		2000.00
General Expense		7000.00
Plant Maintenance		3000.00
New Equipment		5300.00
Materials		10500.00
Weight & Gasoline Tax Payment		6145.02
Contingent Expense & Reserve		23723.85
		\$89768.87

Respectfully Submitted
BOARD OF CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS
Elmer A. Corsaut, Chairman
Arthur Feldhauser, Member
Clare Madsen, Member

AFFIDAVIT OF FILING OF THE CRAWFORD COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION'S REPORT WITH THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Elmer A. Corsaut, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is Chairman of the Crawford County Board of Road Commissioners, that he is duly authorized to make this affidavit in its behalf, and deponent further says that this affidavit is the year ending December 31st, 1943 was duly filed with the Crawford County Board of Supervisors, in accordance with Act No. 178 of the Public Acts of 1937 as amended, on the 5th day of April, 1944.

Elmer A. Corsaut, Chairman
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of April, 1944.
Bessie Peterson
Notary Public
My Commission expires 8-12-45
Moved by Scott and supported by O'Dell that the report of the County Road Commission be accepted and

placed on file. All members voting yea: the motion carried.

Moved by Howse and supported by Burke that the building committee be authorized to make any necessary repairs or replacements to pipes and hot water heater in Jail building. All members voting yea: The motion carried.

Whereas, there are many indefinite and erroneous descriptions appearing on the assessment rolls of Crawford County, and

WHEREAS, SAID inadequately described metes and bounds descriptions cannot be properly assessed, and WHEREAS, this condition will become even more complicated in the future, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Supervisors appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for a survey of said erroneous descriptions and the making of assessors plats. The several townships interested or having erroneous descriptions shall defray half of the expense incurred in said survey and making of plats.

Resolution offered by Burke who moves its adoption and supported by Niederer, Roll Called, Yeas: Burke Niederer, Millikin, O'Dell, Scott, Howse, Carlson, and Dyer, Nays: None, the motion carried.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

The Board of Supervisors For Said County

Dated at Grayling 4-11-44

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your committee on Claims and Accounts would respectfully submit its report

Hamburger Balls

To one pound of ground lean sirloin add tablespoon of onion juice, one small clove of garlic, grated, 3 tablespoons of milk and 1 tablespoon of salt. Mix well and form into tiny balls the size of a marble. Fry quickly in fat. Serve on toothpicks as hors d'oeuvres.

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Farmers: Get Farm Boots now, ration free, at OLSON'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owens, of Saginaw, visited in Grayling over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Litchfield, of Detroit, have opened their cottage at Lake Margrethe.

Miss Agnes Johnson of Mackinaw was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Dorr.

Mr. Waldo Hildebrand of Lansing is remodeling his cottage at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cripps and son, of Detroit, are visiting at the home of the Joseph Smiths.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wetzman, of Detroit, are enjoying fishing in this vicinity for a few days.

Did you know the balance wheel of a watch revolves 453,000 times per day—24 hours?

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Duerr, of Detroit, enjoyed the week-end at their Lake Margrethe cottage.

Mr. Elias Burns of Central Lake is the guest of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Burns, and family, for a week.

Mrs. Marie Koerber of Detroit is visiting her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koerber, at Lake Margrethe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kaufmann, of Saginaw, are settled for the summer at their cottage at Lake Margrethe.

The Bazz-Baker family are now located at Lake Margrethe. Mr. Baker is employed at the Dorr Manufacturing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy North, of South Bend, Indiana, visited the latter's mother, Mrs. C. R. Brown, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wetz, of Dayton, Ohio, are visiting at their cottage at Lake Margrethe over Decoration Day week-end.

There will be a dance at the Grange Hall, Saturday night. A caller will be there, so everybody is sure of a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Broadbent have sold their home on Alger st. to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Canfield. Mr. and Mrs. Broadbent now reside in Gaylord.

Miss Virginia Peterson, who graduates from Central Michigan Teachers' College this spring, will teach junior high school music in Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fritzpatrik and son Donnie, of Detroit, visited with Mrs. Fritzpatrik's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kraus, a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allman, of Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. Webb McCall of Mount Pleasant, were at the McCall cottage on the AuSable over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Powell and daughter, of Detroit, were guests over Sunday of Mr. Powell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Brenner, of Flint, were guests over the week-end of their son and family, week-end, of their son, Mr. Carl Brenner and family, at Lake Margrethe.

Miss Frances Mickleson and two friends from Lansing, were at the Mickleson cottage at Lake Margrethe over the week-end. The party took a canoe trip down the AuSable on Sunday.

Miss Mary Jane Joseph of M. S. C. East Lansing, and friend, Mrs. R. G. Dunn, of Mason, were guests of Mary Jane's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Joseph, over Memorial Day week-end.

Mrs. Arthur Anderson of Saginaw is here caring for her mother, Mrs. Peter Robertson, who is convalescing from a recent illness that kept her in Mercy Hospital for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Webb, of Mount Pleasant are guests at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert. They arrived in time to attend the graduation of their granddaughter, Miss Billyann Clippert.

One of the lovely floral gifts presented to Miss Margaret Cassidy for the opening of the Margo's Shop was a large horse-shoe of flowers sent by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pochelon from their cabin on the AuSable.

Miss Kathleen Kraus enjoyed a boat cruise around the Great Lakes with her sister, Virginia, who took the Hadley High School senior class on its "skip day". Miss Virginia is a member of the faculty of Hadley High School.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Cogswell and daughter, Miss Helen, and Miss Lillian Dore, of Detroit, were at Hilltop cabins over the week-end. The girls, together with Miss Helen Isenhauer, enjoyed a canoe trip down the AuSable, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bixler, of Detroit, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour here, on their honeymoon. Mrs. Bixler, before her marriage, was Miss Helen Montour. Grayling friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Christenson of Flint, also son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Christenson, visited at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson, Sunday. Roy is home on furlough from overseas duty with the U. S. Navy. Mrs. Johnson served a very delicious chicken dinner, which was enjoyed by all. Roy looks very well, and says the Navy is "tops".

Mrs. Minnie Fales of Lansing is visiting at the Oscar Smith home, coming for the graduation of her granddaughter, Miss Dorothy Smith.

Frank Williams of Ypsilanti spent the week-end here visiting his sister and friends. He is employed at the Willow Run Bomber plant.

Mr. and Mrs. William Vogel and son, of Saginaw, called on Grayling friends, Sunday. Mrs. Vogel is the former Lena Differ, who graduated from Grayling High School with the class of '24.

David Lowe and son George returned Sunday from Temple, Texas, where they were called by the serious illness of the former's son, Leon, at McCloskey Hospital in that city. They report Leon was much improved when they left him.

Elbon Smith of Detroit has purchased the Marker farm in Maple Forest township and has moved his family here. Besides himself and wife there are five children—Gerald, 21; Robert, 16; Raymond, 10; Arlene, 15 and Doris, 13.

Lumberjacks in the logging camps of the north woods, sailors on Great Lakes ships, factory workers, clerks and shopkeepers and persons in their homes—all will take part in Michigan's statewide "D-Day" minute of prayer when that day arrives, according to reports sent in to the Michigan Office of Civilian Defense.

The Eastern Star will continue their rummage sale Saturday, June 3 at the Masonic Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar Hanson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Spears, of Saginaw, are spending the week-end at the Wm. Christenson cabin on the AuSable.

It has been suggested that the iron seats belonging to the county be set out in the Court yard for the convenience of those having time to spare, and may sit beneath the beautiful trees and enjoy the comfort of the shade and pleasant surroundings and rest. This would afford comfort for a lot of people and should be attended to soon.

A truck, loaded about eight feet high with posts, tipped over while rounding the curve on U. S. 27 at the Algot Johnson corner at about 5:15 Friday morning and spilled posts all over the area. It was owned by Walter DeGrave of Wilson, Mich., and was bound for Battle Creek. With Mr. DeGrave were two young nephews. The front and cab of the truck were badly damaged, but none of the occupants were severely injured.

vision by C. n'd



Cupid shows up at Anzio beach-head in Italy to present a romantic interlude to the bitter fighting that has been waged there. The boy with the love darts looked in on the marriage of Lieut. Genevieve Clark, air corps nurse, and Lieut. Thomas R. Gale and saw them with their front line wedding cake.

Materialized Dream



Breakfast in bed in the army is unheard of. But as a reward for a high score in gunnery tests, all members of a company at Camp Campbell, Ky., were treated thus. Sergt. Charles Micklok partakes.

ATHLETES FOOT

I Made This Foot "Costs 25c. Money back next morning if it not pleased. Try any PENETRAT-ING Anuscle, I used Teal. Only solution. I know of, made with 100% alcohol. It PENETRATES. Removes more germs faster. HEALS A TID. It gets better results applying full strength. Feel it take hold." At any drug store. Locally at

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90 pairs Ladies White Kid and Buck Oxfords Ties and Strap Pumps . . Special at

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Enjoying Life



Charles Evans Hughes and wife are shown here enjoying an early morning stroll in Washington, D. C., following a winter spent in Arizona "enjoying life." Hughes, who retired as chief justice of the Supreme court in 1941, recently celebrated his 82nd birthday.

The Weather

(May 26 to June 1, inclusive.)
Friday—Warm; strong wind.
Saturday—Warm.
Sunday—Warmer.
Monday—Warmer.
Tuesday—Warm.
Wednesday—Warm; showers.
Thursday—Cloudy.

Public Notice

The Grayling Township Board of Review will be at the Grayling Township Hall on June 6 and 7 and 12 and 13 for the purpose of reviewing the Township Assessment Roll of the Township. Signed, Township Assessor.



A. M. Prof.—I want a haircut.
Barber—Will you please remove your hat?
A. M. Prof.—Oh, I didn't know there were any ladies present.

DANCE

At Frederic Town Hall

Sat. Night

June 3, 10 to 2 A. M.

Grayling Bakery

Will Re-open for Business on

Friday, June 2

Radio Repair Shop Now Open

All makes of Radios Repaired
Graduate Radio Technician

Mark's Radio Service

310 Michigan Avenue

Grayling, Mich.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

JUNE 2, 1921

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson enjoyed a visit over Sunday and Memorial Day from Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hanson and children, and Mrs. S. S. Phelps Jr. and daughter Virginia, of Detroit. Mr. Hanson, while here, spent a day fishing for some of the speckled beauties.

Frank Dreese, Thomas Trudo, Henry Trudo and Miss Bessie Brown left for Bay City, Monday, having been subpoenaed that day to appear at the trial of Charles Frederickson vs the American Express Co. This case is being heard in the United States District Court, which has been in session in Bay City since Tuesday.

Miss Nina Peterson of Oxford was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Peterson.

Miss Augusta Kraus entertained Miss Marie Foreman and Mr. Harry Garrison, of Bay City, at her home, Monday.

The friends of Mr. Benjamin Jerome will be pleased to learn of his promotion to chief of the engineering department at the Oakland Motor plant at Pontiac. For a number of years he has been assistant to the chief. He took on his new duties June 1st.

Billy Miller, son of Mrs. Edna Miller, had the misfortune to break his collar bone while playing in the schoolyard.

Mr. and Mrs. George Colten and daughter, Matilda, arrived unexpectedly from Ketchikan, Alaska, Monday afternoon to visit their parents in this city. Two years ago this young couple went to Saskatchewan, where they operated a large farm, later moving to Alaska.

Dr. O. Palmer is about to retire from business of fire insurance, after a successful operation since January, 1906, and will be succeeded by O. P. Schumann; thus the business will continue in the same building. Miss Nola Sheehy will act as clerk.

No. 1



Capt. Dominic Salvatore Gentile, Piqua, Ohio, flier, who has 30 Nazi kills to his credit in air raids over Germany. The feat installs the handsome Mustang pilot in top-flight position among American fighting aces. For his outstanding work the flier has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross by General Eisenhower.

'Gung Ho' Carlson



Lieutenant Colonel Carlson, famed marine Raider, spoke at celebration in honor of 19th anniversary of the death of Sun Yat-Sen. He is shown above, being greeted by little Marilyn Chu, who thanked him for aid to China.

Aid Red Cross



Lieut. Elwood Cooke of the U. S. Navy Preflight school, and his wife, Sarah Palfrey Cooke, who will appear in a series of exhibition tennis matches in Athens, Ga., for benefit of Red Cross war fund. Cooke won world's doubles title in Wimbledon in 1939 and his wife annexed national women's single crown at Forest Hills in 1941.



Kilby MacDonald of the Rangers consists into Emile Bouchard of the Canadiens during a hockey skirmish at Madison Square Garden. Members of the two teams engaged in a free-for-all, but after penalties were levied the Montreal team won 5 to 3.

Shoe Shine Boy



This study of a shoe shine boy who works for our soldiers on maneuvers in Tennessee was judged the "Picture of the Week." It was made by T-4 Harold King of Los Angeles, Calif.

Subscribe for the Avalanche.

Grad le nal Natives in ette



A U. S. navy cameraman recorded this picturesque silhouette study of Guadalcanal natives and a beach canoe to show the "beauty in war" of tropical island in the Solomons.



Somewhere in New Guinea,
May 12, 1944.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

I am dropping a line to tell you that I am receiving the Avalanche quite regular here in the jungles. (Leave it to Uncle Sam to build morale.)

The censor says it is OK to tell you that I have seen action, and let me tell you it was no picnic. I have plenty Japanese souvenirs which are really interesting to look at. One thing that is priceless here is a Jap flag; the fellows who have them, sell them for about \$50.00, which is a pretty fair price.

One thing here, you have plenty of coconuts to eat. It is surprising how good they are at times.

Will close, hoping the mail man brings more mail and the paper this evening.

Sincerely,
Cpl. Albert Markby.
A.P.O. 41, U. S. Army,
c-o Postmaster.

April 29, 1944.

Dear Mr. Schumann:

In my next few minutes of leisure I will try to write a few lines to let you and my other friends in Grayling know that I haven't forgotten you.

I received your most welcome paper last week and certainly enjoyed reading the old home town news again.

At the present time I am located on an island in the Southwest Pacific, quite a few thousand miles from the good old U. S. That's not much information on

my location, but the best I can do under the present circumstances.

I am Motor Sergeant of a heavy equipment Co. in a Port Bn., and believe me, we are all giving our best, so that we may be back home with our folks and friends in the near future.

I have had the good luck of running into my nephew, Douglas McDaniels; also Carl Nielson, both of the Marine Corps, since I have been here, which helps a lot. I am on the continuous lookout for others from home.

The climate here is strange; it is common for it to rain for a few hours every day—at the present time it is raining very hard and the sun is shining as pretty as you ever saw it. It is very hot, even when it's raining. But it cools off at night, so one can sleep very comfortably.

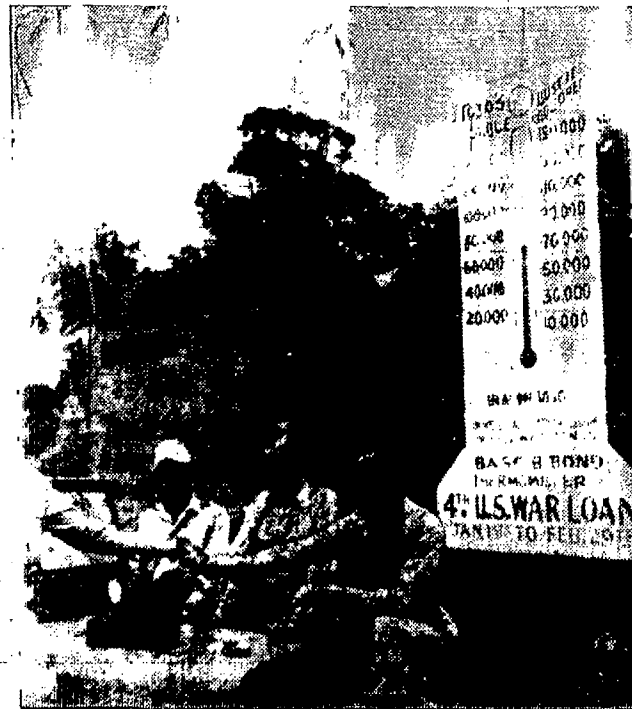
About half of the island is jungle, and the other half mountains, so we usually stay in our own back yards and don't go on many sight-seeing tours. I have taken about 100 pictures of the scenery here, and plan on taking them home with me, so others can get an idea of what this side of the country is like.

I will have to cut this short, as someone just yelled, "Sergeant, a motor is missing!" so I guess I will have to go and find it. na, ha.

So long for now.

As ever,
Mac.
(Sgt. John L. McEvers.)
A.P.O. 709, c-o Postmaster,
San Francisco, Calif.

Overseas Men Support U. S. Bond Drive



Proof that U. S. servicemen in the forward areas are also taking a financial interest in the war is shown here. T-4 Robert Ross of Hammond, Ind. (right), buys a bond from Pfc. Julian Will of Pawnee, Okla. War bond officer Lieutenant Barnes of New York (second from left) supervises, and Sgt. Harry Ellor of Knoxville, Tenn., awaits his turn to make a purchase.

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GREEN PEAS

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10 lbs. 55¢

JUICY — FLORIDA — LARGE SIZE
ORANGES

doz. 49¢

CRISP — SOLID — 60 SIZE

HEAD LETTUCE

each 10¢

FRESH — RED RIPE

TOMATOES

2 lbs. 39¢

NEW CROP — YELLOW

ONIONS

3 lbs. 19¢

FRESH — HOME GROWN

RHUBARB

lb. 5¢

... For Canned Goods at Savings!

LORD MOTT — FRENCH STYLE

GREEN BEANS

No. 2 can 15¢

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GREEN BEANS

2 No. 2 cans 23¢

SULTANA

RED KIDNEY BEANS

17-oz. jar 9¢

EXTRA STANDARD

SULTANA PEAS

No. 2 can 13¢

IONA

TOMATOES

No. 2 can 10¢

A&P

APPLE SAUCE

No. 2 can 14¢

SACRAMENTO

TOMATO JUICE

16-oz. can 10¢

... For Fine Meats at Every Day Low Prices!

BEST CHUCK CUTS

BEEF ROAST

lb. 26¢

LEAN BOSTON BUTT

PORK ROAST

lb. 33¢

SUGAR CURED — ANY SIZE PIRCH

SLAB BACON

lb. 29¢

SKINLESS

FRANKFURTERS

lb. 34¢

SUCED OR PIECE — SPICED

LUNCHEON MEAT

lb. 39¢

SICED

BOILED HAM

1/2 lb. 17¢